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TAGS: CGEN: (LAWSON, MELVIN L.)

SUBJECT: SERVICE OF WITNESS SUBPOENA; MELVIN L. LAWSON

REF: 7 FAM 874.3

1. DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR BURLINGTON COUNTY, N.J., URGENTLY  
REQUIRES TESTIMONY OF PVT. LAWSON AT A TRIAL IN N.J. BY  
MARCH 17. LAWSON, WHOSE TESTIMONY IS ESSENTIAL FOR  
CONVICTION IN RAPE CASE, DECLINES TO COOPERATE. DA HAS  
THEREFORE OBTAINED FEDERAL SUBPOENA UNDER 28 USC 1783. IN  
VIEW OF TIME PRESSURE, DEPT HAS SUGGESTED THAT DA FORWARD  
SUBPOENA AND ENCLOSURES DIRECTLY TO MUNICH FOR DELIVERY BY  
CONOFF.

2. DA INFORMS DEPT THAT HE WILL SEND TWO COPIES OF  
SUBPOENA AND COURT ORDER AUTHORIZING SERVICE, TOGETHER  
WITH INSTRUCTIONS FOR WITNESS, TICKET FOR TRANSPORTATION  
FROM FRANKFURT TO U.S. AND CERTIFIED CHECK FOR WITNESS'S  
TRAVEL EXPENSES BETWEEN WURZBERG AND FRANKFURT. CONOFF IS  
REQUESTED TO DELIVER DOCUMENTS TO LAWSON IN SUFFICIENT  
TIME FOR LATTER TO RETURN TO U.S. FOR PRETRIAL CONFERENCE,  
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AND TO FILL IN SPACES ON SUBPOENA CONCERNING DATE AND  
PLACE OF SERVICE. JAG OFFICE AT LAWSON'S DUTY STATION IS

AWARE OF CASE AND MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ANY NEEDED  
ASSISTANCE. PROPERLY COMPLETED SUBPOENA AND COURT ORDER  
SHOULD BE RETURNED DIRECTLY TO DA AT MOUNT HOLLY, N.J.

3. COURT ORDER MENTIONS THAT DOCUMENT IS TO BE SERVED BY  
CONOFF AT FRANKFURT, BUT SINCE WURZBERG, WHERE LAWSON IS  
STATIONED, IS IN MUNICH'S CONSULAR DISTRICT, THAT PORTION  
OF THE ORDER MAY BE IGNORED. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN SERVICE  
IS MADE.

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